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Public Utility Commission of Texas

TO: Central Records

FROM: David Hrncir

Commission Advising

RE: Correspondence related to P.U.C. Docket No. 49737; SOAH Docket No. 473-19-

6862 – Application of Southwestern Electric Power Company for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Authorization and Related Relief for the Acquisition of

Wind Generation Facilities

DATE: June 22, 2020

Chairman Walker and Commissioners D'Andrea and Botkin received the attached correspondence pertaining to the above-styled docket.

Please note that a member or employee of a state agency assigned to render a decision in a contested case may not directly or indirectly communicate in connection with an issue of fact or law with any state agency, person, party, or representative of those entities, except on notice and opportunity for each party to participate. See Administrative Procedures Act, Texas Government Code § 2001.061.

Commission Advising is filing the correspondence. Parties will not be served copies of the attached document, but can access it through the PUC Interchange at http://interchange.puc.texas.gov/.

cc: All Parties (without attachment)

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June 12, 2020

Public Utility Commission of Texas DeAnn T. Walker, Chairman P O Box 13326 Austin, TX 78711-3326

Re:

SOAH Docket No. 473-19-6862

PUC Docket No. 49737

Dear Chairman Walker,

On behalf of the Longview Chamber of Commerce, I am writing to ask your support for the proposed development by Southwestern Electric Power Company of 810 megawatt of wind energy to serve its customers.

For the Texas businesses we represent, lower electricity prices are one of our region's primary competitive advantages for existing businesses and a significant incentive to attract new businesses. In addition, we know that renewable energy is increasingly important for international and domestic companies concerned about their carbon footprint, as they make decisions on new or expanded facilities. We look for every advantage in the creation of jobs for our citizens.

Lower rates and diverse energy sources are also important to families, cities, schools and local governments in our area as well.

We believe the SWEPCO proposal offers long-term cost savings that will benefit individuals, businesses, schools for the entire region. The cost cap, minimum energy production and other guarantees offered by SWEPCO will help ensure those savings for Louisiana customers.

The Longview Chamber of Commerce supports the SWEPCO wind energy proposal and we urge the Public Utility Commission of Texas to grant SWEPCO's application.

Regards,

Kelly R. Hall, CCE IOM MSL

President/CEO

cc:

Commissioner Arthur C. D'Andrea

Commissioner Shelly Botkin



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